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Special Events Planned to Celebrate Veterans Day in Columbia

Veterans Day Parade and Statue Dedication Ceremony to be Held on November 11th

Celebrate Veterans Day at the 36th Annual City of Columbia Veterans Day Parade on Tuesday, November 11, 2014.

Known as one of the Southeast's largest Veterans Day Parade, the event will kick off at 11 a.m. from the intersection of Sumter and Laurel streets, and travel southbound on Sumter Street ending at Pendleton Street near the State House.

The Veterans Day Parade is hosted by City of Columbia Parks and Recreation and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of South Carolina.

For more information about the Veterans Day parade, please call Kim Mitchell at 803-545-3100 or visit www.columbiasc.net.

The public is also invited to attend a sculpture dedication ceremony at 3 p.m. at Memorial Park, 700 Hampton Street. Military and WWII vintage music from the Dick Goodwin Brass Quintet will begin at 2:30 p.m.

A bronze statue honoring all South Carolinians who served in the United States Navy in WWII will be unveiled and dedicated on Veterans Day. The statue is a gift from Columbia native Henry W. Crede, 91, who now lives in Boston. The statute is in memory of Crede's shipmates who were killed during the war. The sculpture of THE SAILOR was created by Camden artist Maria Kirby-Smith.

U. S. Congressman James E. Clyburn will deliver the main address, and Columbia Mayor Pro Tem Brian DeQuincey Newman will accept the gift on behalf of the City and will present the Key to the City to Crede's grandson.

For more information about the dedication ceremony in Memorial Park, please call Bud Ferillo, chairman of the S. C. Memorial Park Commission, at 803-413-6475.



36th Annual City of Columbia

VETERANS DAY PARADE

*Honoring Those Who Have Served
and Those Serving Now*



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Parade Begins at Sumter and Laurel Streets

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